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Re:

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For: Method and System for Down-Converting an Electromagnetic Signal,

and Transforms for Same

Inventors:

Sorrells et al.

Our Ref:

1744.0920001/PEG/TAD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form for \$180.00 to cover Information Disclosure fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17;
- 2. Seventh Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 3. Forms PTO-1449 (2 pages);
- 4. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Seventh Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

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Sir:

Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this Seventh Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Sixth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 18, 2005 in connection with the above-captioned application.

Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

Applicants reserve the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention patentability of the claimed invention 188.00 op over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

Applicants provide the following comments regarding the documents:

Documents AA68-AD68 were cited in a Notice of Allowance in related U.S. Patent Application No. 09/855,851, filed May 16, 2001, entitled "Apparatus, System, and Method for Down-Converting and Up-Converting Electromagnetic Signals," directed to related subject matter.

Documents AE68-AG68 were cited in an Office Action in related U.S. Patent Application No. 10/315,174, filed December 10, 2002, entitled "Reducing DC Offsets Using Spectral Spreading," directed to related subject matter. Also cited in said Office Action were U.S. Patent Nos. 5,999,561 and 6,686,879, which have already been cited in the present application.

Documents AH68, AI68, and AA69 were cited in a Notice of Allowance in related U.S. Patent Application No. 10/359,636, filed February 7, 2003, entitled "Integrated Frequency Translation and Selectivity," directed to related subject matter. Also cited in said Notice of Allowance were U.S. Patent Nos. 5,126,682; 5,926,054; 6,049,706; 6,421,534; and 6,560,301, which have already been cited in the present application.

Documents AB69-AF69 were cited in an Office Action in related U.S. Patent Application No. 10/197,255, filed July 18, 2002, entitled "Networking Methods and Systems," directed to related subject matter. Also cited in said Office Action was U.S. Patent No. 6,850,742, which has already been cited in the present application.

This statement should not be construed as a representation that information more material to the examination of the present patent application does not exist. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material submitted herewith.

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Applicants have checked the appropriate boxes below:

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2001.06(b), and indicate in the next communication from the office that the art cited

in the earlier prosecution history has been reviewed in connection with the present

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449, and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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